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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration
SUBJECT : Impact Upon the Office of Communications
of the Executive Order on U.S. Foreign
Intelligence Activities Dated
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The new Executive Order on U.S. Foreign Intelligence Activities generally has a positive impact upon the Office of Communications. In only one area would the Executive Order require the utilization of procedures developed and issued by the Department of Justice.

Section 4.(b)(9) provides specific authorization for the Central Intelligence Agency to conduct its own communications activities in the U.S. and abroad.

Section 5.(e)(2)(ii) provides us with all of the authority needed to conduct our technical liaison with other government agencies.

The definition contained in Section 5.(a)(3) gives authority to conduct our TEMPEST test program by virtue of the inclusion of "acquisition" and "consent" as part of the definition. This opinion has been agreed to by OGC.

The definition contained in Section 5.(b)(2) may require that certain of our testing programs involving radio receiving equipment be done in accordance with procedures approved by the Attorney General. An internal OC instruction on this matter will be issued upon receipt of the Attorney General's procedures.

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Director of Communications